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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:)
M. Saldana) Group: 2125
Application No: 10/789,486) Examiner: Kasenge, C.
Filed: February 26, 2004) Docket No: LAM2P255D1
For: METHODS WITH RESOLUTION) Date: April 19, 2005
ENHANCEMENT FEATURE FOR IMPROVING)
ACCURACY OF CONVERSION OF REQUIRED)
CHEMICAL MECHANICAL POLISHING PRESSURE)
TO FORCE TO BE APPLIED BY POLISHING HEAD)
TO WAFER)

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

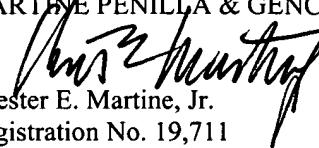
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Sir:

This is a response to the Statement of Reasons For Allowance mailed 2/7/05. Reference is made to the sentence in the Statement that includes "The allowability, at least in part, resides in the fact that neither reference teaches an apparatus...". Applicant notes that the allowed claims define various methods. Thus, it is respectfully requested that this sentence be revised to read as follows:

"The allowability, at least in part, resides in the fact that neither reference teaches a method comprising the operations of dividing the pressure range by the value of a component resolution to define scale portions of the pressure range, generating a first output signal to identify one of the scale portions that includes the desired value, and generating a second output signal to identify a set point that defines the requested value in the identified scale portion."

Respectfully submitted,
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